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## Delaware-Maryland Red Meat Production Up 2 Percent In 2014

**Total red meat production** for Delaware-Maryland totaled 31.1 million pounds in 2014, up 2 percent from the 30.5 million pounds produced in 2013, according to Dale Hawks, State Statistician, of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Delaware-Maryland Field Offices.

**Commercial cattle slaughter** totaled 33,500 head, up 3 percent from 2013. The average live weight was down 18 pounds from the previous year, at 1,281 pounds.

**Commercial hog slaughter** totaled 18,600 head, up 7 percent from 2013. The average live weight was unchanged from the previous year, at 249 pounds.

**Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter** totaled 47,400 head, 6 percent above last year. The average live weight was 96 pounds, up 3 pounds from a year ago.

The complete Livestock Slaughter Annual Summary and all other NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

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